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BROWN MAKES FEW CHANGES IN NEW CABINET

TEN YEAR NAVAL HOLIDAY IS SENT TO SCRAP HEAP

ENTENTE CORDIALE IS JARRED

Many Cracks in it Make 10 Year Holiday Only Shell of a Holiday

(BULLETIN)
BY GEORGE R. HOLMES)
(STAFF CORRESPONDENT I. N. S. SERVICE)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Opposition of unexpected origin and strength developed in the secret meeting of the Naval Powers today against the principles formulated by Elihu Root of the American delegation, to govern the future uses of submarines in warfare, sponsored by the American delegation and strongly endorsed by the British delegation, the proposed restrictions were fought by Japan, Italy and France, and after two hours of somewhat warm debate, the session broke up, to meet later in the afternoon to resume the discussion.

The general irritation over the conference developments of the last 24 hours apparently manifested itself in today's session, for when it was over, one of the American delegates said with some asperity:

"If this conference is to attempt to kill those principles, which constitute an indictment of Germany's submarine practices during the war, then the world should know of it."

(BULLETIN)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Prospects of another limitation armament conference being called to consolidate the accomplishments of the present conference, and possibly to renew attempts at submarine limitation, began to fade rapidly today following a visit to the White House by Secretary of State Hughes.

The president and Secretary Hughes held a long conversation over the armament conference developments and the failure of the meeting to limit the submarine and auxiliary craft ratios of the big naval powers.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The plans for a ten-year naval holiday have been consigned to the international scrap-heap along with the old capital ships of the world's great navies, the delegates to the arms conference began again today to try to gather up the loose ends of a naval agreement.

The entente cordiale between the French and British delegation has been severely jarred by France's refusal to accept a limitation on her auxiliary ship program. It has suffered a number of hard bumps since the conference began on November 12, but none so great as that occasioned by France's defeat of the naval holiday plan, and her daily announced determination to build up a great fleet of submarines.

So intense has been the feeling engendered by developments in Washington that it is likely to have a repercussion in Cannes early in January when the allied premiers meet to discuss economic and financial matters.

Seldom have the statesmen of two great and supposedly friendly powers addressed each other in an International gathering with the candid and pointed suggestion that characterized the debate between A. J. Balfour and M. Sarraut over the submarine controversy.

While still maintaining the outward aspect of observing the diplomatic amenities, British spokesmen, in the conference and in talking with newspaper correspondents, lay the blame for the failure of the naval holiday plan directly at France's door. "Disappointment" "amazement" are expressed over the French attitude.

The French in return do not conceal their resentment at the "attempted dictation by Great Britain." The attitude assumed by the French spokesman is that France herself is the best judge of France's needs. France needs a great auxiliary naval force and that ends the matter.

Only the loose ends of the naval agreement now remain to be gathered up as a result of latest developments. The 10 year naval holiday remains only the shell of a holiday.

The first crack in it appeared when Great Britain was given permission to build two more superdreadnaughts, and the United States was given permission to complete two of her Lexington dreadnaughts, in return for Japan's retention of her mandated islands.

The crack widened to a yawning

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GOV. SMALL MUST STAND IN TRIAL

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)

WAUKEGAN, Ill., Dec. 29.—Gov. Len Small will have to stand trial, Judge Claire C. Edwards of the Circuit court announced this afternoon in ruling on motions of the governor's counsel to quash indictments charging them with conspiracy and embezzlement.

Date of the trial was set for Monday, January 9, at 9:30 a. m.

The defense, at a preliminary hearing, had asked the court to quash both indictments against the Governor and co-defendant on the ground that they were illegal, not specific and improperly drawn. The judge was asked to throw the entire case out of court.

The indictment charged Gov. Small and co-defendants with the embezzlement of interest on state funds.

Did You Hear That

FACT of the day: Widen Fayette street.

JUDGE IBACH and Mrs. Ibach will leave for the south this month.

THE men and boys of the Christian church hold a banquet tonight.

WHAT is more profitable than operating the only bowling alley in town?

THERE was an increase of 8,756 hunting licenses issued in the state this year.

OVER 800 skaters were on the Harrison Park lagoon at one time Wednesday evening.

LAWRENCE HOFFMAN will leave for the south in a few weeks to open the season with his "seaplanes."

NUMBER of telephone subscribers: Hammond, 5,826; Gary, 5,405; East Chicago, 2,944, and Whiting, 1,057.

"BIG BILL" CROSBY, the watchman, plans to leave Friday night for Louisville on a short visit to his old home.

DONALD W. METZ will be next police court bailiff. This is announcement of Henry Cleveland, city judge-elect.

A GREAT gallery of fans were at Perrin's parlors last night to see Bill Kurthe perform in the three cushion tournament.

BOYLE, photographer, at 28 State at boasts the honor of photographing the first likeness of Hammond's new chief, Emil A. Bunde.

COINCIDENCE. Rev. Shoemaker preaches funeral sermon over body of Robert Lamb, aged shoemaker, who died at Hobart.

SCHOOL vacations mean little to E. S. Monroe, superintendent of schools. He's in his office every day. Schools re-open Tuesday.

IF E. G. Spreat wears his famous velvet pants when he takes the shrine he will look like a hula dancer before the evening is over.

THERE is a great deal of sickness, especially among children. An epidemic of tonsilitis and a mild form of scarlet fever prevail.

THE vacant lot adjoining the West Hammond police station has been flooded and furnishes an excellent ice rink for the youngsters.

ADD bughouse fables: Tex Rickard was in town yesterday. He signed up Ed. Lipinski to meet an unknown fighter on Fourth of July, next.

T. A. BREW, manager of the Groceteria stores of this region is at his home in Nashville, Tenn., for the holidays. Home Brew! Home!

LILLIAN SASS, able employe of the city treasurer's office, wins many compliments as she assumes duties of E. S. Swalm, who is on the sick list.

THE recent fall of snow and sleet showed that the same old offenders against the sidewalk cleaning ordinance are with us again this year.

MISS MYRA STEVENS, stenographer and resident of Detroit street, is titled "nymph of the risk" following skating contest at Harrison Park lagoon.

ALBERT E. GRIFFITHS and H. E. Granger are rabbit hunting along the Kankakee river. Before he left, Granger offered to sell fifty rabbits on foot.

COAL and groceries. They are daily shopping items of Mayor Brown and Miss Mary Moran, city welfare worker. From five to ten needy families are cared for daily.

PUPILS of Central high school, at Evansville, are to have a reflection room where the students may sit and meditate upon their conduct after they have broken the rules.

COUNTY commissioners have reappointed Charles Belshaw as superintendent of the poor farm; C. M. Eder, superintendent of highways, and E. D. Woodward, supt. of bridges.

THE STANDARD ELECTRIC CO. has landed a big job in Chesterton, averaging around $10,000. Go get it and bring it into Lake county, seems to be the slogan of this live organization.

GEORGE HANLON, republican Harry Rimbach, Jr., claim to chess championship of police and fire departments, asserts title belongs to him. Well, who's going to decide this, anyway?

WEST HAMMOND'S $75,000 batch of park improvement bonds really brought $9.50 above par when it is considered that the purchasers agreed to stand the expense of printing the bonds.

ATTORNEYS EDWIN FRIEDRICH and Phil Greenwald attended the banquet of the Chicago Bar Association at the Drake Hotel. The guest of honor was Chief Justice William Howard Taft.

POLICE officers Reckler and Schaadt on injured list. Reckler is suffering from bruises sustained in fall while chasing rubber suspect. Schaadt has a fractured arm, broken when he slipped and fell on icy sidewalk.

THE S. J. Gregory Theatrical Co. operating the Parthenon theater have taken over the Orpheum theater and bids are now being received for the complete remodeling and placing of this house in first class condition.

THE Orpheum theater is no longer in the hands of H. L. and A. Gumbiner.

COMMISSIONERS WIND UP BUSINESS

Board Clears the 1921 Slate At Two Day Meeting.

(SPECIAL TO THE TIMES)

CROWN POINT, IND., Dec. 29.—The county commissioners met for their monthly and weekly meeting on Wednesday and Thursday afternoon transacting all unfinished business for the year. All claims and bills falling due at this time were allowed and they wiped the slate clean for 1921. The report of the superintendent of the county farm, C. W. Belshaw, was read and accepted. Also the report of the collector of weights and measures, W. J. Hay, of Gary.

A letter from the Indiana Sate Highway Commission was read, giving the local board permission to erect culverts over the Ideal Section of Lincoln highway, in Lake county. The plans and specifications are now on file for the culvert. The Lake County Board have been in communication with the Indiana state highway commission relative to the above.

CHILD BADLY HURT WHILE COASTING

The first serious coasting accident of the season which occurred in Gary night before last when Anna May Owen, 10 years old, was probably fatally injured, may serve as a lesson to eliminate similar accidents in the future.

The accident Tuesday evening is a repitition of several other similar coasting accidents which occurred last winter when several children received broken bones, one killed by an auto and another maimed for life.

Little Anna, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Owen, 839 Madison street, was coasting down one of the hills in the west side park with one of her playmates when she was thrown forcibly into a tree severely injuring her side. At the Mercy hospital it was found she had suffered from internal hemorrhages and an operation was performed to save her life.

While her condition is reported much improved today attending physicians state that she is not out of danger.

According to information this is the only public place in the city where children may coast. It is being suggested that some steps be taken to construct a safe slide for the children as one could be easily erected and at a very small cost.

Last winter when several similar accidents happened it was planned to provide a place this winter but up to this hour nothing has been done.

Charles Michelfelder, former manager, has nothing more to do with it and wishes the public to know that he will not be responsible for it in any way.

NOT advertising—but true appreciation of art inspires this commendation of a wonderful motion picture appearing today and tomorrow at the De Luxe. It's "The Copperhead," and stars Lionel Barrymore, rugged brother of John.

REAL estate at basement bargain prices. This is what will be offered in spring to Hammond people if taxes on property assessed at nearly $200,000 is not paid. Delinquent tax list is largest in history of city, says Walter Bielefeld, treasurer.

JOE ROBINSON, 56 Rimbach building, taxi driver and J. Elends, 2120 Columbia avenue, passenger, are slightly injured when their auto is struck on Hohman street by machine driven by John Dyer. The latter's car skidded, throwing the taxi against a telephone pole.

AWARDING contract for water works boilers to low bid firm, the Board of Works yesterday saved city $4,5000 when it accepted bid of $27,500, lowest among five. Mayor Brown is satisfied that successful bidder will provide boilers containing every feature present project demands.

A. S. HUNT, 30 Mason st., thought he had been fired and the crowd was going to express regrets when they gathered around his desk at the Gibson Subway office the other morning. But Herb Austgen, as spokesman, soon dispelled fears by presenting him with a fur cap, a gift from the other employes.

THE Hegewisch man who was showing a visitor the town had just recited the 1920 population figures.

"What was it in 1910?" asked his guest. He was surprised when the H. M. gave the same figures.

"How come, haven't any babies been born in ten years?" he asked.

"Oh sure," replied the host, "but every time one is born some one leaves town."

MISS IRENE VAN SLYKE, energetic young lady in charge of Hammond schools attendance department, investigated a case of incorrigible tardiness of pupil from East Hammond. The boy enumerated several tasks it was his duty to complete each morning before leaving for school. Miss Van Slyke among other things, learned that the boy's mother owned the three laziest buff hens in Lake county. "Because," said Miss Van Slyke, "the hens have grown so fat and lazy that the boy has to put them up on the roost in the evening and take them down again each morning."

Extra!

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Dec. 29.—Quincy A. Meyers, former judge of the Supreme Court of Indiana and recently associated with former Gov. Samuel M. Ralston in the practice of law here, was in a critical condition at St. Vincent's Hospital here this afternoon following a severe attack of la grippe.

MYSTERY IN AN AUTO SMASHUP

Whiting Car Driver Hits Telephone Pole in Hammond to Avoid Hitting Auto

Hammond police, still in the dark today after a night of vain effort to pierce the mystery surrounding an alleged merry-makers party that nearly resulted in the death of several of the members in an auto crash at Oakley and Truman boulevard, were piecing together indefinite details in an attempt to fix responsibility for the accident.

From information in possession of police it was learned that an automobile driven by A. Clark of Whiting and containing Edna Kolnch and Ethel Dawson, both of 1921 Washington boulevard, Chicago, and Dean Hartarode, 462 Hickory street, crashed into a telephone pole at Oakley avenue and Truman boulevard when Clark is said to have swerved from the road to avoid striking an approaching automobile driven by Roy Nutini, operator of an ice cream parlor in Michigan avenue.

Edna Kolnch was said to have suffered a broken rib and bruised left leg. Ethel Dawson sustained a bruised left leg, while Dean Hartarode received serious internal injuries. The others escaped injury.

The accident is said to have occurred at 11:45 last night.

The victims were removed to their homes in the police ambulance.

Police list Margaret Donal, 244 Michigan avenue, as a witness. It could not be learned whether she was a passenger in either of the machines.

No arrests were made.

PARTHENON PLANS BIG CELEBRATION

With the passing of John Barleycorn from the program of New Years' Eve celebrants come the entry of special attractions at the various moving picture and vaudeville houses.

It is argued by theatrical managers throughout the country that show houses have reaped a bountiful harvest since prohibition went into effect and as a result of their convictions have always tried to put on an interesting entertainment on New Years Eve.

The Parthenon theatre has taken the first step in this particular line in Hammond and have for the past week been gathering some very clever acts of vaudeville and some feature attractions to fill out their New Year's program.

Eight acts of high class vaudeville have been engaged, some clever film features and special orchestra presentations are prepared and "Al" Meldgard was seen in company with several popular song writers urging them to finish their latest hits in time for him to feature it at the Grand Organ.

This show, as planned, and the amount of expense involved to put it over hardly speaks of profit but is given in thankfulness for the patronage of the past year. Reserve seats have been on sale for the past week and latest reports from the box office are that a goodly number have already made arrangements to bid the old year adieu in this manner.

$15,000 CLAIM ON TRIAL AT VALPO

VALPARAISO, Dec. 29.—The old Mineral Springs race track in Porter, was brought to life again today, when special Judge Wildersmith of Gary, heard evidence in the claim of $15,000 against the bondsmen of Peter Crumpacker, for attorney fees in handling litigation over this famous race track.

TRAIN HITS FORD

VALPARAISO, Ind., December 29.—A Ford automobile was struck at the Rosso crossing on the Pennsylvania west of Hobart, by the passenger train which reaches Valparaiso at 8:27 o'clock. The car was demolished, but the occupants escaped without injury.

SERVICES AT SYNAGOGUE

"The Maccabean Spirit, Is It Still Alive?" will be the subject of Rabbi J. Rappaport's sermon this Friday evening, Dec. 30th, 1921 at the Sibley st. synagogue. The special feature this evening will be Miss Ruth Grossman, who is the soloist of the choir.

RESTAURANTEURS MIX IN SLANDER SUIT

Indiana Harbor restauranteurs, three of them are principals in a slander suit which was filed this morning in the superior court at Hammond.

James Mehas who has an eating place at 3212 Block avenue, is the plaintiff and John Dollas and Gus Phillips, who have restaurants in the same neighborhood are defendants.

Mr. Mehas says that on December 26 his restaurant was doing a fine business. He was making money and was solvent. That day Messrs. Dollas and Phillips are said to have visited a wholesale tobacco dealer in Hammond and to have slipped him the information that the Mehas restaurant was about to be closed up by a receiver and was "going under."

Mehas says the statement was false and was uttered to injure his credit. He adds that it worked for the wholesaler refused to sell him any more goods and the word soon spread among his patrons. Now they pass by his restaurant and his business is suffering. He says he has been injured to the extent of $10,000 and asks the amount in damages. McAleer, Dorney & Gillett are attorneys for the plaintiff.

RIVETER KILLED AT HIS WORK

Fred Friess, age 35, living at 3606 Tod avenue, East Chicago, was killed instantly Tuesday afternoon while in the performance of his duties as a rivet maker at the Columbian Tower Company, East Chicago.

The accident occurred when the belt on the machine, which Friess and another man were working on suddenly came off. While his partner was arranging the belt on the wheel, unaware that the machine was still adjusted for motion, Friess is believed to have been placing a bar of iron in the machine for cutting rivets. The bar of iron is said to have flew up and struck Friess in the back of the head, breaking his neck and killing him instantly.

The body was shipped to relatives in Cleveland, O., last night, following the inquest by Deputy Coroner Townsley.

BANDITS SEIZE MAIL TRUCK IN PITTSBURG

Loot May Reach $100,000 According to Unofficial Estimate.

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 29.—A horde of government sleuths and municipal detectives were combing this city and surrounding towns today, in search of the bandits who boldly stole a great big U. S. Mail truck in front of the "uptown" station last night, then drove it away to an alley nearly half a mile distant and grabbed a registered mail sack and escaped. The amount stolen is not known, government officials said today, and it will be several days before it is. Various unofficial estimates place the loss anywhere from $5,000 to $100,000.

JUDGE RESTRAINS I. HARBOR MAN

Judge M. E. Crites in Room 2 of the Hammond superior court issued a restraining order this morning which is calculated to put an end to the rampages in which Lee H. Wylie of Indiana Harbor has been indulging.

Lee's wife filed suit for divorce, alleging among other things that he has been keeping up such a racket at night that members of the family cannot sleep. She says he does it to annoy and harrass her.

On November 22, he says he beat one of the children and when she attempted to interfere he struck her. On December 1 he jerked her from an automobile and injured her. Then she had him brought into the court of Judge Prest at Hammond and placed under $500 peace bond. This failed to quiet him. He still annoys the family and threatens to destroy the property.

The Wylies were married November 16, 1899, at Tuscola, Ill., and have nine children, six of whom are minors. Mrs. Wylie asks for the custody of the minors and $2,500 alimony. Robert O. Graves is her attorney.

GARY CAFE FAILS TODAY

Andrew and Gust Bekas, proprietors of the Big Four restaurant, 1503 Broadway, Gary, this morning filed a partnership petition in bankruptcy in the federal court at Hammond.

Andrew owes $138 and has no assets. Gust owes $1,710 and likewise has no assets. The restaurant has debts against it amounting to $3,056.79 while its assets amount to only $1,412.

Another bankruptcy case from Gary is furnished by Sam Cokos, proprietor of the International Ice Cream Parlor & Fruits, 2500 Broadway. The schedule shows debts of $2,958.74 and assets of $1,260 after the $600 exemption has been taken.

Latest Bulletins

(BULLETIN)
(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 29. A moonshine drunk during a Christmas drinking bout is believed to be the cause of four deaths in Alleghen county, according to reports made to Coroner Samuel C. Jamieson today by his deputies, who found that all four deaths were due to acute alcoholism. "Green" whiskey was peddled in the upper end of the country at Christmas time, the reports said.

(BULLETIN)
(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)

LISBON, Dec. 29.—Two persons were killed and five others wounded when bombs which were in the process of manufacture on the premises of the General Confederation of Labor, exploded today. Several arrests were made.

(BULLETIN)
(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)

LONDON, Dec. 29.—An Italian giving the name of Verturio di Scienzo has been arrested at Campobasso, in the department of Abruzzo and Molise, charged with the murder of Daniel Kaber, publisher, in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1919, said a Rome dispatch to the Daily Express today.

(BULLETIN)
(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 29.—Julius A. Schuller, nationally known authority on wines, died at his home here today, aged 74.

(BULLETIN)
(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)

PEARL RIVER, N. Y., Dec. 29. Bandits shot and kille dthe cashier and the bookkeeper of the First National Bank here today and escaped in an automobile with two or three hundred dollars taken from the bank's vaults.

(BULLETIN)
(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The Italian Discount & Trust Company at 399 Broadway, was closed this afternoon by the state banking department following a "run" on it by depositors. The institution was the New York agent of the Banco Disconto of Rome, which suspended today. The Italian Discount and Trust Company has a capital of $1,000,000 and deposits of more than $12,000,000.

(BULLETIN)
(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The granting of a pardon to Eugene V. Debs, whose sentence for obstructing the draft was commuted by President Harding, will depend largely on the Socialist leader's future conduct, it was learned in official quarters today. It is understood that no consideration has been given by Attorney General Daugherty to issuance of a pardon to Debs.

NEW ESTIMATES ON WINTER WHEAT CROP

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The Department of Agriculture estimated today that the area of winter wheat sown this fall is 44,293,000 acres, which is 4.2 per cent less than the revised estimated area sown in the fall of 1920 (viz 44,847,000 acres).

The condition of twinter wheat on Dec. 1 was 76 against 87.9 and 85.2 on Dec. 1, 1920 and 1919, respectively and a ten year average of 89.

The department estimated that the area of rye sown this fall is 5,184,000 acres, which is 22.8 per cent more than the revised estimated area sown in the fall of 1920 (viz 4,228,000 acres).

The condition of rye on Dec. 1 was 92.4 against 90.5 and 89.8 on Dec. 1, 1920 and 1919 respectively and a ten year average of 90.9.

Bunde Succeeds Chief Austgen

E. A. BUNDE.
Hammond's New Police Chief.

AUSTGEN DEMOTED BY BROWN

Hammond's Mayor Gives Out List of New Administration Appointees

Mayor Brown of Hammond has announced his appointments.

Most of these are re-appointments.

The most notable change in city government during the next four years will be in the police department.

Emil A. Bunde, twice captain, the last time being apointed April 1, 1920 to fill the vacancy created when Captain Benjamin Strong resigned, and for more than 20 years a member of the Hammond police department, has been appointed chief of police.

He supplants Chief of Police Peter Austgen. The former chief will be reduced to captain. "Pete" Austgen for 12 years and nine months, chief of police, and for more than 22 years a member of the police department, has been removed "for political reasons."

No flowery bouquets of hypnotic adjectives need be composed here to express the regard Hammond people have held and still hold for "Pete" Austgen. He has been called "Hammond's best police chief." The crook honored him, the down-and-out sought him; and the people believed in him. He made Hammond the best policed city in the state.

John Kuhn, former night sergeant at police headquarters, has been promoted to a newly created office. This is patrol sergeant. As such he will actively aid the captain on night duty whose work it is to make the rounds of the "beat" patrolmen.

Who will take Sergeant Kunz' place as night desk sergeant has not been announced.

The mayor hinted that other changes in the police department might be made.

Hollis Hunter has been appointed city sealer.

No other shifts in the city pay roll will be made until later, according to the mayor.

But there will be other changes.

The city government, revised, stands as follows:

Daniel Brown—Mayor.
Harry Broertjes—Controller.
Arnold Kunert—City Clerk.
Walter F. Bielefeld—City Treasurer.
William W. McMahon—City Attorney.
Dr. William A. Buchanan—Health Commissioner.
Emil A. Bunde—Chief of Police.
Henry Cleveland—City Judge.
William F. Bridge—City Civil Engineer.
George G. Blockie—Superintendent of Water Works.
William Nill—Chief Fire Department.
William H. Norman—Street Commissioner.
Henry Vis—Building and Plumbing Inspector.
Gus Schoop—City Electrician.
Hollis Hunter—City Sealer.
Board of Public Works—A. J. Swanson, president; Jacob Wilker; F. C. Dietrich. Arnold Kunert, clerk.
Board of Public Safety—O. A. Kribbill, president; Geo. Vermett; Geo. Pearson; Chas. S. See, secretary.
Board of Public Health—Dr. A. J. Miller, president; Mrs. Ida Haefer; Dr. Wm. A. Buchanan, secretary.
Board of Examiners of Stationary Engineers and Water Tenders—Jacob H. Kasper, president; S. S. Curtis, Thomas H. North.

AND THEN . . .

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)

BRISBANE, Australia.—W. S. Wright, an elderly man who lived alone in a cottage here went in daily and nightly fear of burglars.

After trying many anti-burglary devices he finally rigged up a trap in the shape of a loaded shotgun so connected with the door that the gun would be fired when anyone attempted to open it.

Mr. Wright forgot about the trap when he returned home from a social gathering one night and opened the door.